

CITY OF THE VILLAGE OF CLARKSTON Historic District Commission Certificate of Appropriateness

Plans for:

29 Buffalo St.

Applicant/Building Representative:

Sharron Catallo

The Clarkston Historic District Commission grants a <u>Certificate of Appropriateness</u> October 1, 2015, for the following plans:

- Removal of two large evergreen trees in the front of the structure, due to diagnosis of complex spruce needle disease.
- Planting two similar replacement trees.

This project adequately meets the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation, particularly number five, "Distinctive features, finishes, and construction techniques or examples of craftsmanship that characterize a historic property shall be preserved"; and number nine, which states that "New additions and adjacent or related new construction shall be undertaken in such a manner that if removed in the future, the essential form and integrity of the historic property and its environment would be unimpaired."

It is understood an HDC review is integrally based on the lack of precedence as each reviewed structure is unique in age, condition, relevance in defining characteristics, and other considerations, and therefore the setting of precedent is impossible. Also, a CoA is **not** synonymous with a building permit, so applicants should maintain contact with the city building department, and possibly other city agencies, to confirm compliance of other ordinances and city laws.

The members of the Commission wish you well with your project. Please contact us if you make any additions or changes to your plans.

David Bihl

Clarkston Historic District Commission